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MARRIAGE AND DIVORCE. Congressman Springer is said to have determined to introduce a bill for a constitutional amendment providing that purpose being to do away with the inemade before the close of the present sesmend the submission of an amendment such as Mr. Springer proposes. Among the absurdities of the present system—or lack of system—is the fact that while in some states the marriage of a divorced to the present system—is the fact that while in some states the marriage of a divorced a representative in congress.

A gentleman who had suffered great annoyance and pain from barber's itch, and who had been treated by the best physical system—or lack of system—is the fact that while in some states the marriage of a divorced a representative in congress. sion which will, it is understood, recomperson is forbidden, the law may be evaded by the interdicted ones crossing over the state line and being married under the laws of another commonwealth, when they may return to their own state as legally and effectually married as though no prohibitive statute existed. The difference in causes for which divorce may ritories furnishes, also, a strong argument in favor of the enactment of a nafrom that of retaliation, and the statutes of all civilized countries now recognize a separation by due form of law is preferable to the continuance of a union which may be degrading and altogether intolerable to one or both of the persons concerned, and in order that all may be amenable to the same rules it is advisable that the marriage relation should be regulated by national laws.

THE SQUIRREL BOUNTY. ing for the re-enactment of the squirrelbounty law, and asserts that the passing of a law offering a bounty for the destruction of wolves, coyotes, mountain lions and bears, but which does not include squirrels and prairie dogs, would be placing a burden on Gallatin county for the benefit of stock-growing counties. The objection might have suggested to the editor who advances it the a burden upon such counties as Lewis and Clarke and Silver Bow for the benefit of Gallatin. If the argument of the Bozeman Chronicle has any force, so also has the last suggestion, for the taxes paid into the territorial treasury by either Lewis and Clarke or Silver Bow county far exceed those collected in any other county in Montana, while there would be but a trifling proportion of a squirrel-bounty fund expended in or for the benfar exceed those collected in any other

efit of those two counties. The fact that the destruction of mountain lions, bears and wolves is accompanied with some personal risk may be urged with reason as an argument in favor of a payment of bounty for the skins of stock killing animals. No such plea can be brought forward by the advocates of the squirrel-bounty law, which, during the brief period it was in force, very nearly bankrupted the territorial treasury, as much by reason of the fraudulent ury, as much by reason of the fraudulent character of many of the vouchers presented as because of the legitimate claims under the law. The extermination of ground squirrels can and should be accomplished without recourse to the treasury of the territory.

THE ROCKY FORK ROAD.

The statement in the local columns of to-day's INDEPENDENT regarding the Rocky Fork & Cooke City railroad will interest the people of Helena especially and of the cities and towns on the line of the Northern Pacific railroad and its branches generally, because of the bearing it has upon the fuel question. As is generally known, the new railroad will open up the largest coal field in Montana, and one which will furnish coal of a quality superior to any that has been thus far discovered in the territory. The field is practically inexhaustible, and the company controlling it, has contracted to supply fifteen hundred to two thousand tons daily for transcort. branches generally, because of the bearthousand tons daily for transportation. This will furnish a fine grade of coal for manufacturing and domestic purposes, at a reasonable price. The Helena smelter, which will soon be ready to begin operations, will thus have an ample fuel supply, free from the uncertainties that interfere with the working of furnaces in some other parts of the country, and en-

the house because he occupied that position in the Thirty-fourth congress, wherein the republican party first took form. The suggestion is characteristic of the republican party, which clings to the next with the preverbial tenesity of the past with the preverbial tenesity of the past with the proverbial tenacity of 25 cents. a hog to a root. A considerable element the war is over.

HEN you're in Rome do as Ro

THE INDEPENDENT the American base-ball players now traveling abroad. While they were in cursion Rates. Honolulu they were entertained by King Kalakaua, who, while he plays a stiff game of poker, still adhers to the Adam- way company will sell excursion tickets to ite practice of dispensing with a fork at San Francisco at the following rates from the table. Not wishing to appear proud, Helena. Going and returning via Ogden, the ball-players adopted the king's plan 875; going via Ogden and returning via the ball-players adopted the king's plan of conveying their food from the plate to the mouth with their fingers, which was very kind of them, considering the fact that from childhood they had been the same that the same shows to be the same shows to be the same to sait the same shows to be the same shows to be the same shows to be the same same shows to be the same shows the taught to feed themselves with their

WYOMING'S CLAIMS.

Delegate Carey, of Wyoming, has taken ceasion to score Gov. Moonlight, of the Trav. Pass. Agt., 28 N. Main St. occasion to score Gov. Moonlight, of the same territory, for his statement that Wyoming is not qualified for statehood, and that there has been no increase of last November showed an increase of more that 20 per cent. over the vote of days. Price, \$40 for the round trip. 1886, at which time, according to Gov. Moonlight's report to the secretary of the interior, there was a population of 85,000. Mr. Carey declares that Wyoming is now

The total vote of Wyoming in 1886 for delegate to congress was 9,377, and upon what basis Gov. Moonlight could have computed a population for the territory congress shall have power to enact laws of 85,000 it is difficult to conceive. A relating to marriage and divorce, the liberal estimate, and the one most generally adopted, would be four of popuqualities that at present exist in the lation to every vote cast, which would several states and territories upon those subjects. A congressional committee has had the subject under investigation for about a year, and a report will be November of about 40,160, from which it reatment. For sale by H. M. Parchen & Co. will be readily seen that the governor is now, whatever he may have said in 1886,

Montana cast 40,000 votes, in round numbers, at the last election, which, computing upon the same basis as that applied above, would indicate that this territory has a population of 160,000. The rich mines of Montana far exceed in value all the industries that Wyoming could boast, and in addition there are be obtained in the several states and ter- fertile agricultural valleys and vast stock ranges, where herds thrive and increase as they do not in many other sectional law. The world has grown away tions. No one questions the qualifica. from the Mosaic law of divorce as well as tions of Montana for statehood, although political motives may cause the senate to leave the territory out in the cold unthat instances may and do arise wherein til the republican congress can convene.

FROM Milwaukee the information is sent out that Henry C. Paine can only accept a cabinet appointment at the sacrifice of a business that is bringing him in \$15,000 to \$20,000 a year. If congress, attention is called to this fact it will when he took charge of the Milwaukee postoffice, a few years ago, had just gone

Republic to further his gubernatorial aspirations in 1867, was himself dismissed from the railway mail service for giving more attention to politics than to his question how far the enactment of a duties as a servant of the government. squirrel-bounty law would be imposing | Corroborative evidence will be required by those who know Vandervoort before his statements will be accepted as gos-

TERRITORIAL JOTTINGS.

Charles Taylor has received his commis

The order for the suspension of the Miles City and Spearlish mail route, issued last November, has been countermanded by the postoffice department after a protest from the people of Miles City and no change will be made in the present service, which is said to be most excellent.

River Press: The adaptability of Cho-teau county soil and climate to the success-ful raising of Scotch Fife, or hard wheat, has been so thoroughly demonstrated dur-ing the past two years that all doubts con-cerning it are forever set at rest. Northern Montana is also the only portion of the ter-ritory where good crops can be raised with-out irrigation.

out irrigation.

River Press: The Dillon Tribune claims that place is better supplied with halls than any other town in Montana. It then enumerates the six halls of which the city boasts. The Tribune is "way off." Benton can give it a half dozen and then beat it. It has all the halls the Tribune names and then comes to the front with Bill Hall, Tom Hall, Ike Hall, Lazy Hall, Lousy Hall and a dozen or more small Halls that are not yet named. Benton is the champion hall city in the territory.

Mrs. A. H. Hersey has taken charge of

ent and take part.

Chronicle: The new plats of the Fort Ellis military reservation survey were received at the United States land office on the 5th inst. Mr. Imes, the receiver, informs us that no order has been made by the secretary of the interior and no appraisement of the lands has been made. And the prospects are that the secretary of the interior will do nothing while the bills are pending in congress for the other disposition of the lands in the reservation. Hence the filing of the plats cuts but little figure, until the secretary of the interior or congress move in the matter.

There were shipped from points in Galla-

some other parts of the country, and enable it to compete successfully with the most favored works of similar character in Montana. The early completion of the Rocky Fork road is one of the most satisfactory events of recent occurrence in the northwest.

The Chicago Inter Ocean suggests that it would be the proper thing for congress move in the matter.

There were shipped from points in Gallatine county during 1888, 2,150 head of cattle, valued at \$70,000. The number supplied to dealers at Bozeman were valued at \$30,000, making the county's beef output \$100,000. The value of various crops is estimated by the Chronicle as follows: Oats, \$60,000; wheat, \$100,000; hay, \$60,000; butter and cheese, \$20,000; vegetables. \$20,000; butter and cheese, \$20,000; vegetables. \$20,000; butter and cheese, \$20,000; vegetables. \$20,000 worth the the Gallatin value of various crops is estimated by the Chronicle as follows: Oats, \$60,950; wheat, \$100,000; bay, \$60,000; butter and cheese, \$20,000; vegetables. \$20,000; batter, and cheese, \$20,000; vegetables. \$20,000 worth per year, and a great number of hogs to the Butte, Helena and home markets.

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gans on which it acts.

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THE MARKETS.

STOCKS. NEW YORK, Jan. 10,-Bar silver, 92%. Copper-Dull but strong; lake and January,

Lead-Steady. The stock market simply waited the result of the railroad conference, and the meagerness of reports from that source was the reason of much desposintment to epeculators, Gould stocks seemed to be the most prominent. Opening figures were generally a slight fraction above those of last evening, and in the early trading the advancing tendency was quite pronounced all through, except Western Union. The market closed extremely dul and steady at slight changes from the opening. Governments dull but firm.

Petroleum opened steady and closed firm at \$754.

attention is called to this fact it will hasten to make a special appropriation in order that the country need not be deprived of the services of Mr. Paine, who prived of the services of Mr. Paine, who services LIVE STOCK.

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